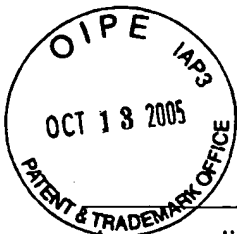


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This is in response to the decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences mailed August 17, 2005 in which the rejection only of claims 8-12 and 21-36 was affirmed. These claims are cancelled and claims 3 and 4 put in independent form to place this application in condition for allowance.

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